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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base, and, where practicable, search terms used)

Canadian Patent Database, Delphion, Derwent(Delphion), EspaceNet, PubMed

affinity chromatography, affinity matrix, ligand, complex, protein, peptide, polypeptide, affinity tag

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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Y	WO 02 056025 Awrey and Greenblatt 18 July 2002 page 29, lines3-6 claims, examples	1-31, 34-44, 47-51
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### Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons :

1.  Claims Nos. :  
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority; namely:
  
2.  Claims Nos.: 32, 33, 45, 46, 52 and 53  
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically :  
  
Claims 32, 33, 45, 46, 52 and 53 are so unclear, and do not clearly define the technical feature of the invention under Rule 6.3(a), such that no meaningful international search can be carried out for the claimed methods.
  
3.  Claims Nos. :  
because they are dependant claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

### Box III Observation where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows :

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2.  As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3.  As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos. :
  
4.  No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos. :

#### Remark on Protest

The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  
 No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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